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TO AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PERMIT TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST

REF: (A) KATHMANDU 5416; (B) STATE 297354

1. SORRY FOR THE CONFUSION. AT THIS STAGE, WE WOULD LIKE TO STICK AS CLOSE TO NORMAL FORM OF ENDORSEMENT AS POSSIBLE. THAT IS THE REASON FOR ADDRESSING ENDORSEMENT LETTER TO REV. FORD WITH ORIGINAL GOING TO MFA AND COPY TO FORD. WE WILL ALSO INFORM FORD DIRECTLY THAT ENDORSEMENT LETTER HAS BEEN SENT.

2. FOR THE ACTUAL ENDORSEMENT LETTER (ADDRESSED TO FORD) WE WOULD PREFER TO USE LANGUAGE PROVIDED STATE 297354 ALTHOUGH YOUR POINT ABOUT ITS FIRST SENTENCE IS WELL TAKEN (THOUGH THE ELEMENTS OF REV. FORD'S APPLICATION SHOULD BE WELL KNOWN BY NOW) AND YOU SHOULD REPLACE THAT WITH QUOTE: I AM WRITING IN REFERENCE TO YOUR APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNMENT OF NEPAL FOR APPROVAL FOR AN EXPEDITION TO MOUNT EVEREST IN NEPAL. UNQUOTE.

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3. FOLLOWING THIS PROCEDURE, YOUR LETTER TO PANDE WOULD

READ AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: WITH REFERENCE TO YOUR LETTER
OF DECEMBER 8, IN WHICH YOU REITERATE HIS MAJESTY'S

GOVERNMENT'S REQUIREMENT FOR A LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT FOR
MOUNTAINEERING EXPEDITIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
NATIONALS CONCERNED, I AM FORWARDING WITH THIS LETTER THE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S ENDORSEMENT OF REVEREND FORD'S APPLI-
CATION TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST HAVING TAKEN NOTE OF THE
ENDORSEMENT OF HIS EXPEDITION BY THE ALASKA ALPINE CLUB.
THE DEPARTMENT ENDORSES THE REQUEST ONLY FOR PURPOSES OF
MEETING THE REQUIREMENT OF SECTION 2 (1) OF THE "RULES
GOVERNING MOUNTAINEERING EXPEDITIONS" OF THE GOVERNMENT
OF NEPAL. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS APPROVAL DOES NOT
CONSTITUTE SPONSORSHIP OR AN ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITY
BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR THE EXPEDITION OR THE
ACTIONS OF ANY OF ITS MEMBERS, NOR PRECLUDE THE POSSIBILITY
OF ENDORSEMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF OTHER QUALIFIED
APPLICANTS WHO MAY SEEK PERMISSION TO CLIMB MOUNT EVEREST.
THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE AN EXPEDITIOUS REVIEW OF
REVEREND FORD'S APPLICATION. UNQUOTE.

4. ADVISE WHEN LETTERS DELIVERED. KISSINGER

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